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matter refer to No. 1272.

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: **Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A**
Bethany-Longstreet Field
DeSoto Parish, Louisiana

APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Dear Sir:

Will-Drill Production Co., Inc. hereby makes application for a public hearing to consider evidence relating to the following matters pertaining to the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Bethany-Longstreet Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana:

1. To dissolve three units established for the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Bethany-Longstreet Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, pursuant to Office of Conservation Order No. 289-J-45, effective August 17, 2004, being the units designated CV RA SU 69, CV RA SU 71, and CV RA SU 72, as shown outlined on the plat attached hereto as Exhibit No. 1;
2. To simultaneously establish four additional drilling and production units for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Bethany-Longstreet Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, to be designated CV RA SU 69, CV RA SU 72, CV RA SU 75 and CV RA SU 76, as shown outlined on the plat attached hereto as Exhibit No. 2;
3. To force pool and integrate all of the separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests located within the proposed units in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
4. To designate Will-Drill Production Co., Inc. as operator of CV RA SU 75 and to designate the Will-Drill Production Co., Inc. - Hunt 29 No. 1 Well as the unit well said unit at the location shown on the attached plat;

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5. To extend the field rules for the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Bethany-Longstreet Field, to the proposed units, except to the extent inconsistent herewith;
6. To consider and cover such other matters as the Commissioner of Conservation may deem appropriate and necessary under the circumstances.

The Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Bethany-Longstreet Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 289-J, effective March 1, 1974, and was further defined in Order No. 289-J-1, effective April 14, 1997.

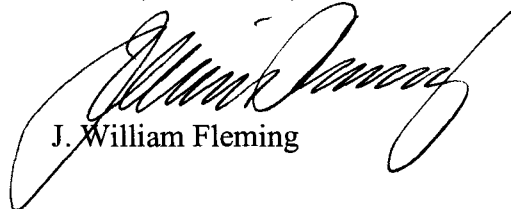
Any pertinent data relating to this matter can be obtained, at the cost of the requesting party, from Mr. Mike Fulford, Will-Drill Production Co., Inc., 416 Travis Street, Suite 1200, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101, telephone number (318) 222-7464.

A pre-application notice letter dated September 8, 2005, was sent to the Commissioner of Conservation and to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties. There was no request received for a conference.

The list attached to the copy of this notice being sent to the Office of Conservation includes the names of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties known to Applicant after a diligent search. A copy of this notice, with plat attached, is being sent to each such party. Pursuant to Office of Conservation regulations, the list of parties is being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation; however, the list of parties will be provided to any person requesting a copy of it.

Yours very truly,

COOK, YANCEY, KING & GALLOWAY



J. William Fleming

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Enclosures

cc: James C. Broussard, District Manager
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties
Mr. Mike Fulford
Mr. Kem Hargrove

